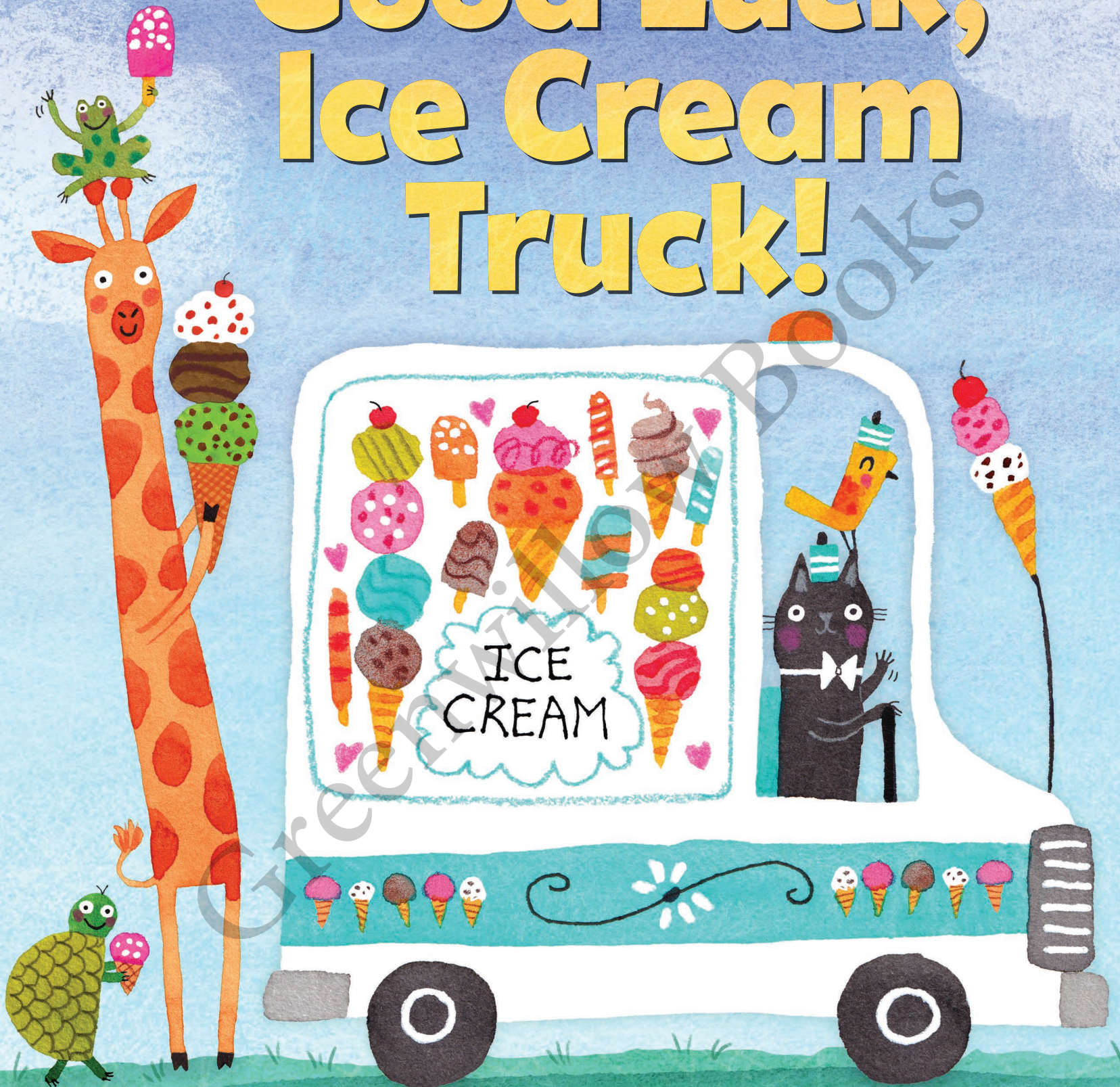


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So many trucks drive down our street,  
each with a job it must complete.

We'll wave to all and wish them luck,  
until we see the ICE CREAM TRUCK.



The ice cream truck comes every day around three,  
with plenty of choices for my best friends and me.

I may get a rainbow pop or frosty black cherry.  
Better yet, a scoop of strawberry.



*Shh!* Listen!  
Could that be the  
**ICE CREAM TRUCK?**



No, it's just a DUMP TRUCK with a really full load.

Good luck, DUMP TRUCK, and please stay alert.  
You may not have noticed, but you're spilling your dirt!



A new truck is coming,  
though we can't really see.  
It's white, it's bright,  
but it's blocked by that tree . . .



We wave to the MAIL TRUCK and wish it luck.  
Now where oh where is that ICE CREAM TRUCK?





I love every flavor—it's so hard to pick.  
Raspberry sherbet, chocolate twist,  
kiwi custard, it's such a long list.



Wait! Listen!  
Another truck is coming.





Its lights are flashing, its sirens blaring.  
The hoses are coiled and ladders are stacked.  
It goes by so fast, we have to stand back.

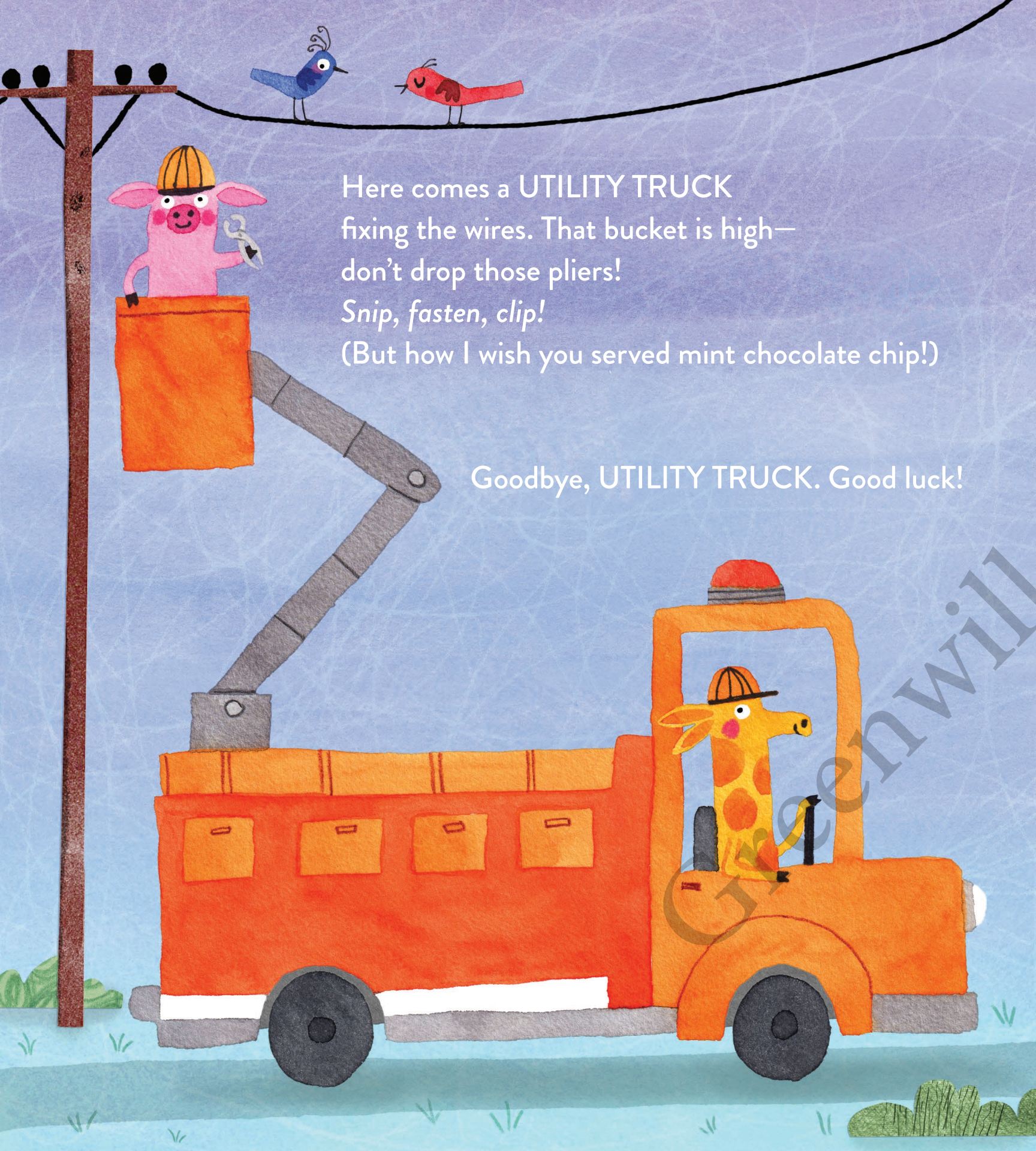
Good luck, FIRE TRUCK!  
Hurry! Hurry! Hurry!



“There wasn’t a fire. There was nothing to see.  
Only a neighbor stuck up in a tree,”  
shouts the crew in the NEWS TRUCK  
bumping back down our street.

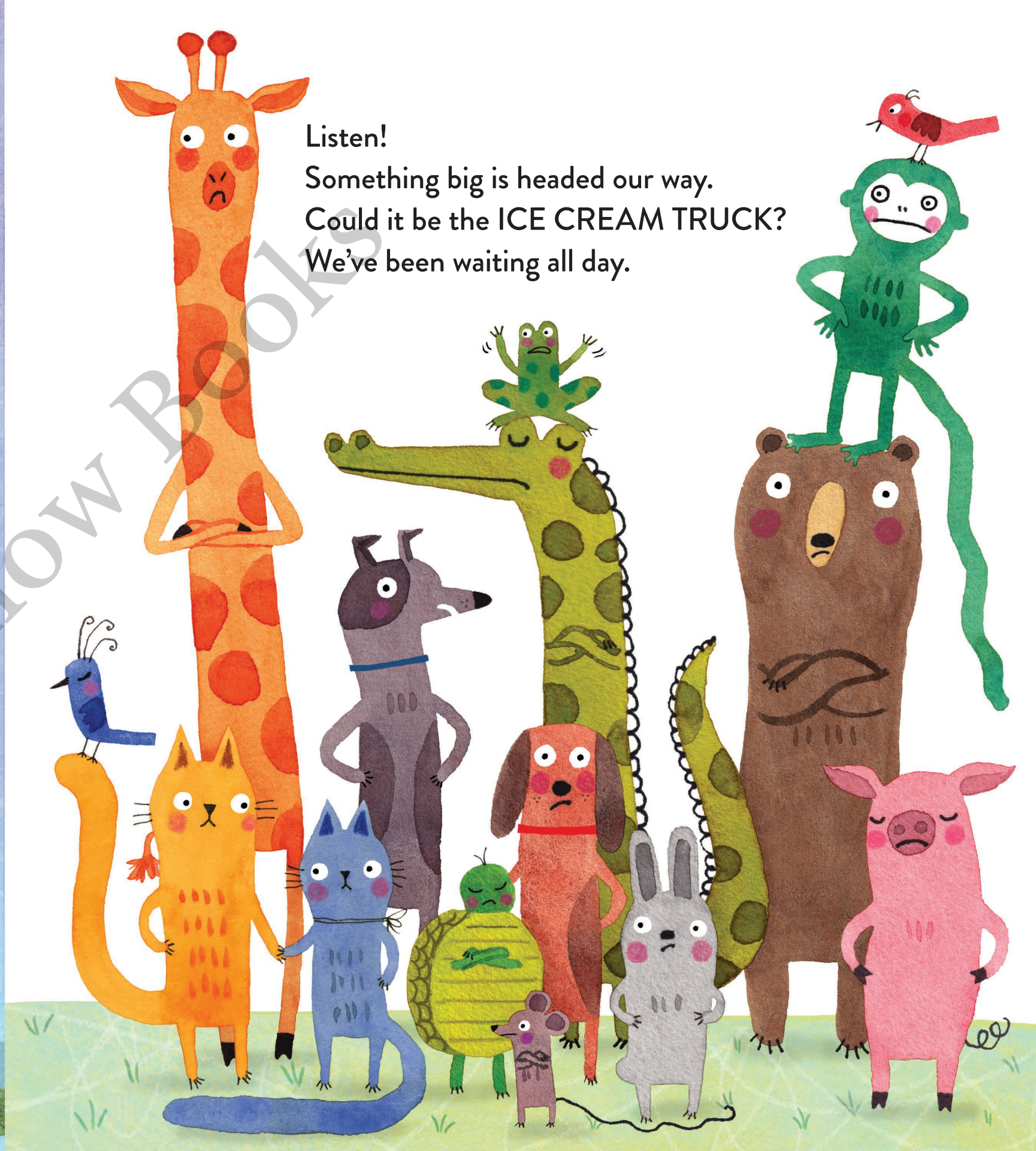
We wave goodbye and yell, “Good luck!”  
And then we listen for the ICE CREAM TRUCK.  
Shh!





Here comes a **UTILITY TRUCK**  
fixing the wires. That bucket is high—  
don't drop those pliers!  
*Snip, fasten, clip!*  
(But how I wish you served mint chocolate chip!)

Goodbye, **UTILITY TRUCK**. Good luck!

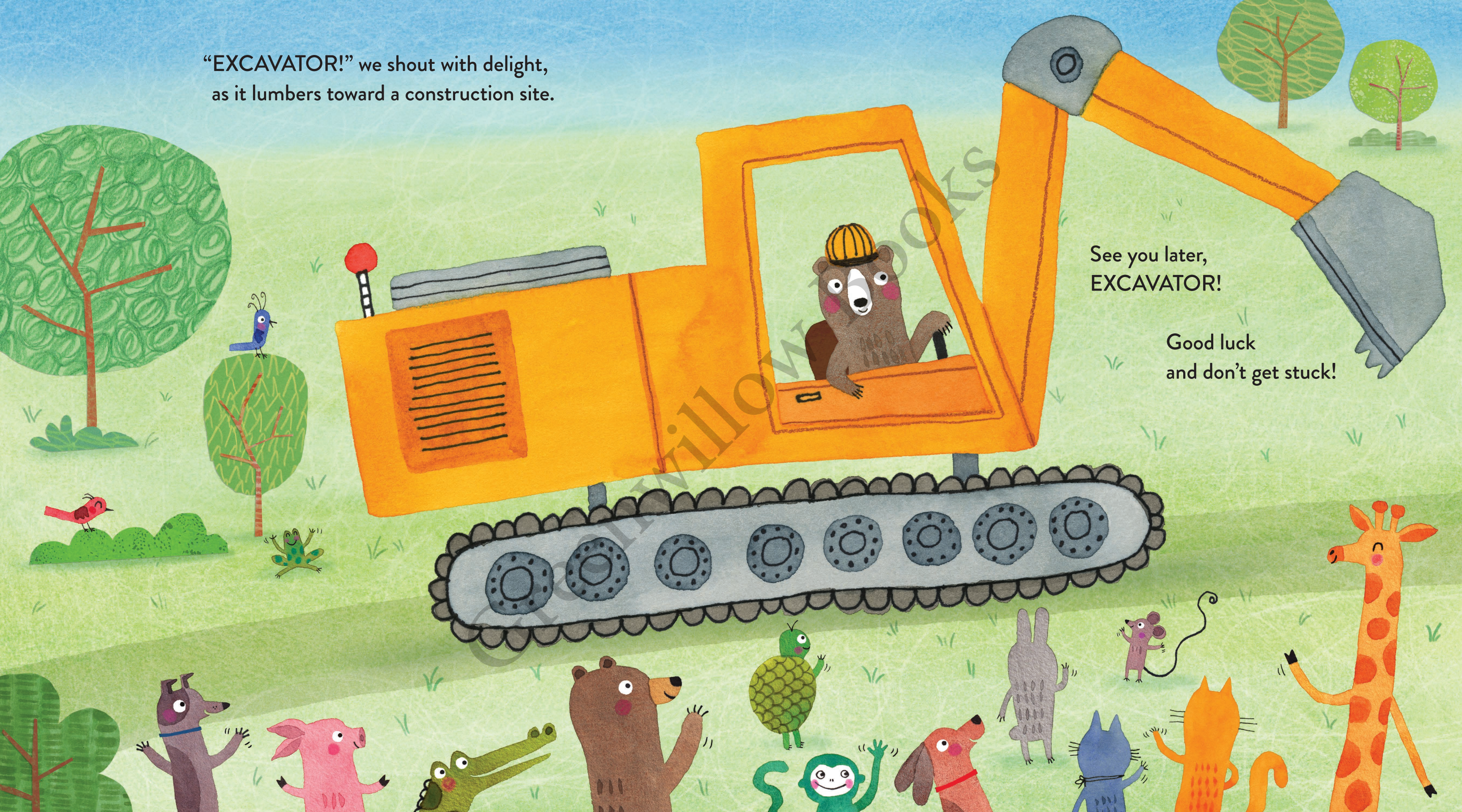


Listen!  
Something big is headed our way.  
Could it be the **ICE CREAM TRUCK**?  
We've been waiting all day.

“EXCAVATOR!” we shout with delight,  
as it lumbers toward a construction site.

See you later,  
EXCAVATOR!

Good luck  
and don't get stuck!



The next truck is noisy and stinky,  
and it sure works hard.  
“Thank you, GARBAGE TRUCK!”  
we yell from the yard.



The time is now 3:08.  
Our favorite truck is late, late, late.  
Listen!  
Something is coming. Is it . . .

No, it's a CEMENT TRUCK  
spinning its mix so it's easy to pour.  
"Good luck!" we say,  
but we're begging—no more!

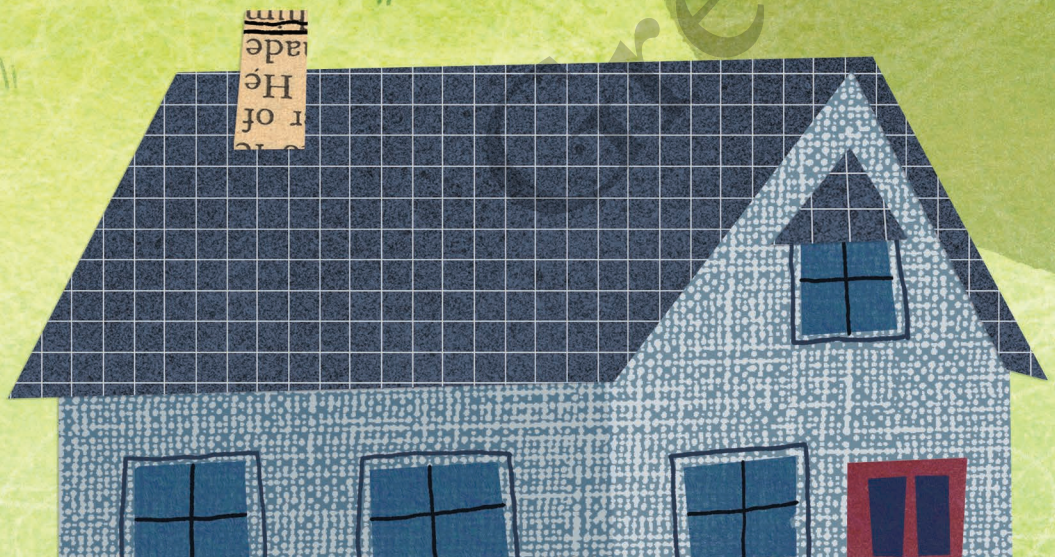
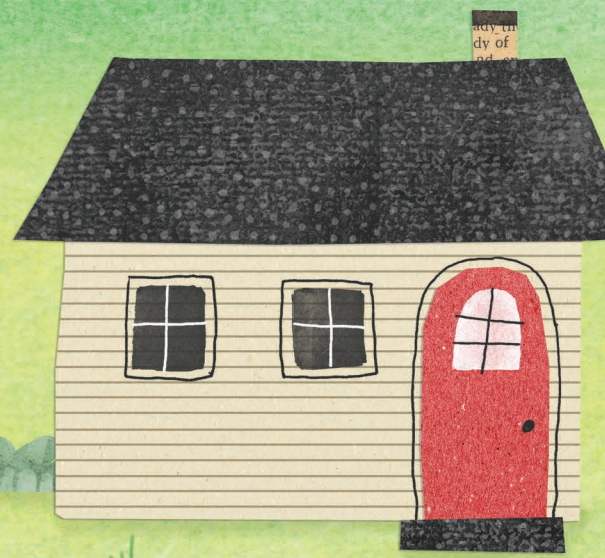
No more dump trucks.  
No more mail trucks.  
No more fire trucks.  
No more news trucks.  
No more excavators.  
No more garbage trucks.  
And no more cement trucks.

We just want the ICE CREAM TRUCK!



Please, please, please, please, please,  
can the next truck that rumbles down our street  
be the one that we've waited so long to greet?

Listen!  
Something is coming . . .  
Is it?  
Can it finally be?



Ding! Ding! Ring-a-ling!  
Yes! It's the ICE CREAM TRUCK!



Chilly and icy.  
Sticky and sweet.  
We love ice cream—  
it's so good to eat.  
Hooray!





Thank you, ICE CREAM TRUCK!  
We hope you'll still have plenty of treats  
for all our friends on other streets.

Goodbye, ICE CREAM TRUCK!  
Good luck!



Dedicated to the incomparable Janet Reid  
and her favorite flavor, mint chocolate chip  
—S. F.



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